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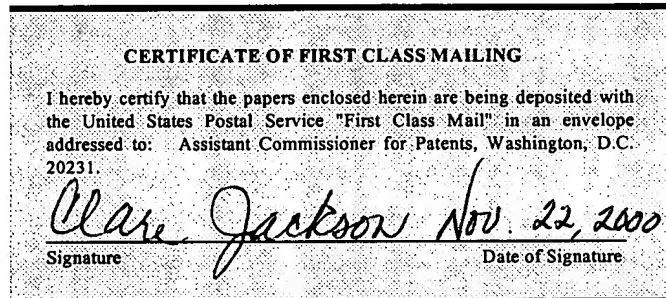
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Merrill et al
Application No.: 09/329,502
Filed: June 10, 1999
Examiner: Not Assigned
Group No.: 1764
For: AROMATIC CONVERSION PROCESS EMPLOYING
LOW SURFACE AREA ZEOLITE Y

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Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231



Sir:


NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the Final Rejection dated August 25, 2000, and the Advisory Action of November 17, 2000, in which the Examiner finally rejected claims 1-6, 8-13, and 15-21.

A check in the amount of \$310.00 is enclosed for the statutory fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 12-1781 for any deficiency in fees connected with this communication or to credit any over payment.

Respectfully submitted,

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